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OFFICE OF

Hon. James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Re:

12,600' Zone, Reservoir A; East Cameron

Block 4 Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana

## Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Application is hereby made on behalf of TANA Exploration Company, LLC to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, pertaining to the following matters relative to the 12,600' Zone, Reservoir A, East Cameron Block 4 Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the 12,600' Zone, Reservoir A, in the East Cameron Block 4 Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana;
- 2. To create two (2) drilling and production units for the 12,600' Zone, Reservoir A, designated as the 12600' RA SUA and SUB, as shown on the plat attached hereto;
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created on a surface acreage basis of participation;

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- 4. To provide that the unit wells for the 12600' RA SUA and SUB may be located in exception to the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E;
- 5. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of a public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation; and
- 6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the 12,600' Zone, Reservoir A.

The 12,600' Zone, Reservoir A, in the East Cameron Block 4 Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone between the measured depths of 12,800 feet and 13,630 feet electric log measurement in the Mississippi River Fuel - S.L. 1172 No. 5 Well, located in East Cameron Block 9, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and is further defined as being between the measured depths of 12,732 feet and 13,410 feet electric log measurement in the Mississippi River Fuel - S.L. 1172 No. 8 Well, located in East Cameron Block 9, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

All pertinent data relating to this proposed application may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from W. H. Robbins & Associates, Consulting Geologists, 140 Rue Beauregard, Suite 100, Lafayette, Louisiana, 70508, (337) 232-5004.

The pre-application conference was held as scheduled on January 9, 2003. In attendance were the parties shown on the attached attendance list. The conference was opened by the undersigned and turned over to Bill Dale, consulting geologist for the applicant, who discussed the bases of the applicant's proposal. No counterplans were presented. After further questions and answers, the conference was adjourned.

Since the conclusion of the conference, the applicant has revised its proposal, resulting in the revised proposal attached hereto. The revised proposal differs from that filed with the preapplication notify in the placement of the boundary between SUA and SUB. It is unknown whether there will be opposition at the hearing. Should any party wish to confer about the revised proposal, please contact the undersigned and a pre-hearing conference will be scheduled.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the 12600' RA SUA and SUB, in the East Cameron Block 4 Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Also enclosed to the Commissioner of Conservation and District Manager ONLY is a list of Interested Owners,

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Interested Parties and Represented Parties to whom a copy of this notice is being sent. Copies of this list will be provided upon request. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties or Represented Parties. Also enclosed is our check payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

STRAIN, DENNIS, MAYHALL

& BATES, L.L.P.

JCB:mbw Enclosures

cc:

Mr. Richard Hudson

District Manager

Interested Parties Interested Owners Represented Parties

